

COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF NAIROBI CITY

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NAIROBI CITY COUNTY ASSEMBLY

THIRD ASSEMBLY

(THIRD SESSION)

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[PUBLIC PETITION PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER 214]

PUBLIC PETITION BY WOMEN AGAINST FEMICIDE IN NAIROBI CITY COUNTY.

WE THE UNDERSIGNED citizens of Kenya and members of organizations of women against femicide;

DRAW the attention of the County Assembly of Nairobi to the following: -

THAT, aware that the Constitution of Kenya under Article 37 and Section 15 and 88 of the County Governments Act, 2012, provide the right for citizens to petition the Authorities or the County Government on any matter;

THAT WHEREAS, Article 27 of the Constitution of Kenya provides that every citizen has a right to equality before the law and a right to equal protection and equal benefit of the law with Article 27(3) specifically emphasizing that women and men have the right to equal treatment, including the right to equal opportunities in political, economic, cultural and social spheres;

THAT WHEREAS, in the recent past the country and particularly the City of Nairobi has witnessed increased cases of unprecedented violence against women leading to killing of young and promising women in a manner and style depicting femicide;

THAT WHEREAS, these femicide cases portray a society with widespread gender inequality, deep entrenchment of patriarchal norms and deep-rooted gender-based violence and discrimination;

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THAT WHEREAS, both national and county governments have failed to establish effective mechanisms both institutional and policy interventions to protect women and girls who are now vulnerable and highly exposed;

AND WHEREAS, all the matters in respect of which the petition is raised are not pending before any court of law or constitutional body;

NOW THEREFORE, your humble petitioners PRAY that the Nairobi City County Assembly intervenes to ensure that: -

- (i) It allocates enough resources within its budgeting framework to support anti-femicide initiatives such as public awareness campaigns, victim support services, data collection and gender mainstreaming;
- (ii) It enacts legislations and policies aimed at protecting women and girls from all forms of discrimination and mistreatment including femicide; and
- (iii) It collectively champions for the creation of a Commission dedicated towards protecting the rights of women and fight against femicide.

And your Petitioners will forever pray.

Presented by;
Hon. Speaker, MCA

And by extension:

- All residents of Nairobi County.